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## 10 TO 6 ON WETS, ODDS IN BOSTON

Both Sides Fight Until Last Hour—Election To-morrow

SUNDAY PLEDGES 29,050 TO VOTE "NO"

Prominent Men Declare for "Drys"—Result Will Be Close

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Boston, Dec. 17.—Boston is the battleground of the fight between the dries and wets which will be decided at the polls Tuesday. A year ago this city went wet by a plurality of 14,238.

There are indications that the vote will be unusually close. The Boston Real Estate Exchange, advocating retention of the existing limited license system, announced that "it is a critical situation" and that "a few thousand votes may turn the scale."

Sunday Helps Dries

The campaign for no license has been pushed with an energy never previously approached. Evangelistic services conducted by the Rev. Billy Sunday have been devoted largely to lectures on temperance, and his "trail-bitters" at many meetings have been pledged to vote "no." To-day he preached a new anti-boose sermon, called "The Trail of the Serpent."

In his campaign here to date Sunday has had 29,050 trail-bitters. It is estimated that two-thirds of these are not voters in the city of Boston.

If 8,000 wet voters of a year ago vote "no" Tuesday the city will swing into the arid column and will take its place as the largest dry city in America. The vote last year in December was unusually large.

Betting men offer 10 to 6 that the city will remain wet.

The latest "no license" argument was issued late to-night by the Anti-Saloon League, which is taking full advantage of the enthusiasm stirred up by the Sunday revival.

The league has issued a statement signed by some of Boston's biggest business and professional men, all to the effect that no license is the best thing for Boston. At the head of the list are the names of Major Henry Lee Higginson, John F. Moore, William Lawrence, Joseph Lee, George W. Cole, Joseph Walker, Paul Revere Freethingham, Eugene N. Foss, Charles W. Eliot, Robert S. Peabody, Courtenay Guild, George B. Gallup, J. Randolph Coolidge, Jr., Ernest Amory Codman and George E. Brock.

Bitter Feeling Aroused

This list was brought out to counteract the pro-license men whose names appeared in a paid advertisement in all Boston papers last week. On that list of those who stated they thought Boston should go wet were the following prominent men: Melvin O. Adams, N. W. Cabot, G. Herbert Sherman, L. Whipple, E. M. Saltonstall, Francis Peabody A. Shuman, R. C. Storey and C. M. Weld.

Bitter feelings have been aroused by the sale on the city streets of publications which assail the character of business and which take an active pro-license stand. But in the papers of last week a big advertisement announced that the liquor interests had absolutely no connection with these fly-by-night publications.

This statement was signed by General Pfaff, president of the Boston Brewers' Association; by J. L. Damon, president of the Boston Hotel Association; by S. F. Pettis, president of the Wine and Spirit Dealers' Association; and by J. J. Galvin, president of the Boston Liquor Dealers' Association.

**WOMAN DIVES TO FLEE FIRE**

Found Unconscious After Two-Story Plunge—Tenants Rescued

One woman leaped from a second story window and several other persons were injured early yesterday in a fire which started in a paint store in the basement of 1223 Third Avenue and spread to the upper floors of the five-story tenement.

While tenants were fleeing to the roof in their night clothing, Mrs. Barbara Collins, terror-stricken when a

cloud of smoke rolled into her bedroom, ran to the window and plunged out head first. She was picked up unconscious and taken to the Reception Hospital, where physicians said that she was suffering from a probable fracture of the skull.

Firemen Murphy and Harold, of Truck 16, found Charles Chromer unconscious from smoke on the fourth floor and carried him to safety. His wife was suffering from a probable fracture of the skull.

Three others overcome by smoke were taken to the German and Flower hospitals, and Patrolman Matzel was treated at Reception Hospital for cuts inflicted by glass. Firemen led those on the roof to adjoining roofs and passed women and children down the ladders.

## WHITEWASH POT MAKES A STABLE MODISTE SHOP

A silk hat in a stable, according to all conventions, is worn by a coachman. Not so in Greenwich Village, where conventions are as much hated as stables are sought after, and a gentleman may wear what he pleases, regardless of time or place.

Many silk hats appeared in Florence

Gough's recently acquired stable, on West 4th Street, yesterday afternoon, and not one was worn by a coachman. True, they all came from uptown, for to the villagers solvency is a vice and top hats are plutocratic. Under the whitewashed rafters they reflected the lights of many candles as their owners gathered round a samovar to drink a cup of tea in celebration of the transformation of the former home of Bill Gray's truck horse Pegasus into a show room for Miss Gough's futuristic hats and gowns.

Occupies Horse's Former Home

Imagination is Miss Gough's greatest asset. When she learned that Pegasus

had moved out she immediately decided to move in. Imagination, a pot of whitewash, a few yards of chintz and the stable became the "Street of Little Shops," each stall the booth in which some particular part of her stock is exhibited.

The village turned out to inspect the place yesterday. Trudging through the snowy square in sandals, hatless, in every sort of costume, they came. Before the street gate they paused as they peered down the barrel lined alley leading to the shop.

From within came the strumming of a banjo. Inside two stoves were alight and the pile of coal hidden in one of the stalls.

farmer girl in red, blue and yellow, received them. To each guest she showed the results of her imagination.

**Iron Gate as Awning**

An old iron gate, swung from the beams, passed muster as a Gloucester swing. Inverted butter tubs, each with a multi-colored cloth spread over it, served as chairs. Chianti bottles hanging from the walls held lighted candles.

The two things in the place which showed no hint of her imaginative touch were the sawdust on the brick floor and the pile of coal hidden in one of the stalls.

**START \$1,000,000 CAMPAIGN**

The Federation for the support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, having just raised \$2,000,000 for its work, will launch another campaign to collect \$1,000,000 more in 1917 at a dinner to be held at the Biltmore to-night.

The dinner will be a tribute to Felix M. Warburg, chairman of the Federation, and one of the leaders of the recent campaign. Rabbi Judah L. Magnes, Justice Greenbaum, of the Supreme Court, William Goldman and Dr. Lee K. Frankel will speak.

**WOMAN NEAR DEATH, DRUG-BY-MAIL VICTIM**

Tells Police Philadelphia "Narcotic King" Supplied Her

Morphine and other drugs are being distributed in large quantities to addicts through the mails by a "drug king" in Philadelphia, it was revealed yesterday after Mrs. Harry Miller, of Woodbridge Avenue, Roosevelt, N. J., was taken unconscious from a trolley car to the St. Elizabeth Hospital, in Elizabeth, N. J., near death from an overdose of morphine. Mrs. Miller recovered sufficiently to tell the police that she became an addict to drugs when the parcel post system was inaugurated. She had obtained large quantities by mail from Philadelphia, she said.

In Mrs. Miller's hand, when she was found to be unconscious was a note saying that she had taken an overdose of the narcotic. In her bag was a gold plated hypodermic needle, and at the hospital her body was found to be covered with its marks.

The Philadelphia distributor, Mrs. Miller said, according to the police, is a former wholesale druggist, who now operates under the alias "Charles McCann." Chief of Police Mulcahey and government officials are seeking two men who made telephone inquiries regarding Mrs. Miller's condition and refused to reveal their identity.

**POLICE RAISE \$36,500 CHRISTMAS TREE FUND**

Celebrations in All Stations, with Gifts for Children, Is Plan

Christmas and kids are more synonymous in New York this year than ever before, thanks to Police Commissioner Arthur Woods and his big-hearted bluecoats. The grown-ups may find Christmas means only that the "one-arm" restaurants are putting holly wreaths on the menu cards and raising in the rice pudding. But Commissioner Woods and his men will see to it that on next Monday there shall not be a single kid in the plight of the Georgia ducky who heard the whistle blow and remarked: "Dinner time for some folks; jest 12 o'clock for me."

Three weeks ago the Commissioner planned New York's first police Christmas tree fund and celebration. Now it has reached such proportions that \$36,500 has been raised by citizens of the precincts, and so many children are to be benefited that in several stations three or four celebrations will be held. Some are set for Christmas eve, some for Christmas day and some for Christmas night.

At each will be a tree. The captains will give talks, wishing the children a merry Christmas and assuring them of the friendship of the force throughout the year. The children will sing under the direction of their school teachers, and at the close of the programme the captains will present a package to every boy and girl. In it will be a toy and a box of candy, fruit, some warm clothing and in special cases orders for food and coal.



**YOU** have had a good year. You have worked hard every day—didn't take much of a vacation—and made some money. Now, with Christmas coming, you are generous with your family



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